

# CMake and friends

*...more than just a buildsystem*

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## CMake and friends (<http://www.cmake.org>)

- **CMake**: configuring and building
- **CTest & Dart**: testing and continuous integration
- **CPack**: packaging
- BSD license, developed by Kitware (<http://www.kitware.com>)
- Portable: Linux, Mac OS X, \*BSD, MS Windows, Solaris, QNX, BeOS, AIX, HP-UX, IRIX
- only requirement: C++ compiler

# CMake

- Cross platform buildsystem
- Creates Makefiles (e.g. GNU, Borland, MS, ...) and project files for KDevelop3, XCode, MS Visual Studio >= 6
- supports C, C++, Fortran, Java
- simple scripting language
- replaces autoconf, autoheader, automake, libtool, sh, m4
- Used e.g. by KDE 4, OpenWengo, ITK, VTK, Chicken Scheme, Boson, Scribus, libgphoto, PIPPlot, Debian cdrecord, Rosegarden and others

## CMake: *Building Software*

- supports executables, static and shared libraries
- cares for platform specific issues
- in- and out-of-source
- complete dependencies
- advanced RPATH handling
- install rules

```
set(fooSrcs process.c foo.c)
add_library(foo SHARED ${fooSrcs})
add_executable(hello main.cpp)
target_link_libraries(hello foo)

install(TARGETS foo DESTINATION lib )
```

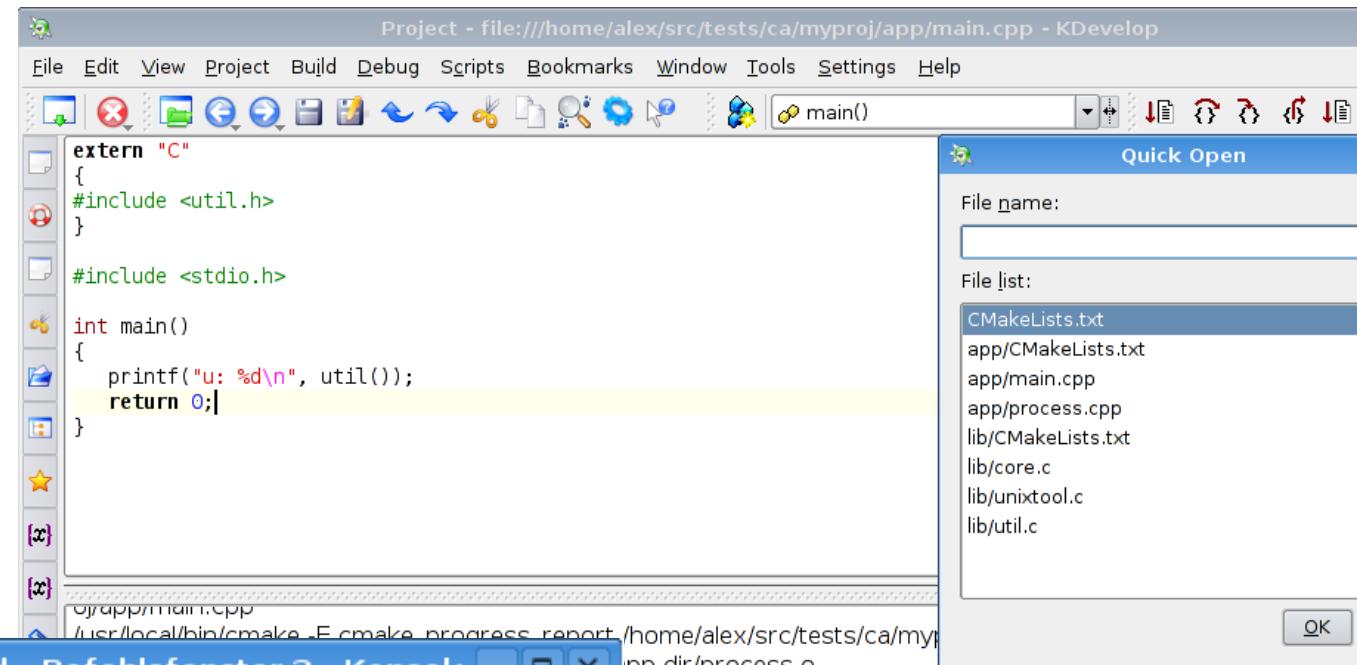
## CMake: *Configuring software*

- handling of system specific properties before building
- condition statements
- `find_package( <name> )`
- check for headers, functions etc.
- creating config-headers
- execution of programs, regexps, etc.

```
if(WIN32)
    add_definitions(-D_USE_WIN32_HELPERS)
endif(WIN32)
find_package(PNG REQUIRED)
include_directories(${PNG_INCLUDE_DIR})
check_include_files(malloc.h HAVE_MALLOC_H)
configure_file(config.h.in ${CMAKE_BINARY_DIR}/config.h)
```

# CMake: Usage

```
$ mkdir build  
$ cd build  
$ cmake .. -GKDevelop3  
$ kdevelop foo.project &
```



A terminal window titled "alex@wuzz: /home/alex/src/tests/ca/myproj-build - Befehlsfenster 2 - Konsole" is displayed. The window shows the following CMake configuration output:

```
CMAKE_BACKWARDS_COMPATIBILITY  
CMAKE_BUILD_TYPE  
CMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX  
EXECUTABLE_OUTPUT_PATH  
LIBRARY_OUTPUT_PATH  
2.5  
/usr  
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```

At the bottom of the terminal window, there is a message about the `CMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX` variable:

```
CMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX: Install path prefix, prepended onto install directories.  
Press [enter] to edit option  
Press [c] to configure  
Press [h] for help  
Press [q] to quit without generating  
Press [t] to toggle advanced mode (Currently Off)
```

The terminal window has a status bar at the bottom right indicating "Line: 11 Col: 13". In the bottom right corner of the entire image, there is a small box containing the text "5/10".

## CTest & Dart

***If it's not tested, it doesn't work !***

- Unit testing
- Continuous and Nightly Builds: central Dart server, decentralized builds on all platforms

```
enable_testing()  
add_executable(foo)  
add_test(footest foo)  
  
$ make Experimental
```

# CTest & Dart

## Build Log line 11

File: Source/kwsys/RegularExpression.cxx Line: 633 [CVS](#)



```
[ 1%] Building C object Source/kwsys/CMakeFiles/cmsys.dir/System.o
[ 1%] Building CXX object Source/kwsys/CMakeFiles/cmsys.dir/Directory.o
[ 2%] Building CXX object Source/kwsys/CMakeFiles/cmsys.dir/DynamicLoader.o
[ 2%] Building CXX object Source/kwsys/CMakeFiles/cmsys.dir/Glob.o
[ 2%] Building CXX object Source/kwsys/CMakeFiles/cmsys.dir/RegularExpression.o
/.../CMake/Source/kwsys/RegularExpression.cxx: In function 'char* cmsys::regatom(int*)':
/.../CMake/Source/kwsys/RegularExpression.cxx:633: warning: use of old-style cast
```

## 4 Files Changed by 2 Authors as of 2007-02-10 01:00 GMT

### Nightly Builds

Site	Build Name	Update	Cfg	Build		Test					
				Error	Warn	Min	NotRun	Fail	Pass	NA	Min
r36n11.pbm.ihost.com	AIX53-xlC	<a href="#">4</a>		0	0	4.3	0	0	71	15	25.8
IcculusDotOrgBeOS	beos5pemax-gcc2.9-991026	<a href="#">1</a>		0	0	10.4	0	2	67	17	20.5
SINTEF.Health.-MedTech-MacPro-Xeon.OSX	CMakeCvs_CMake246-gcc401	<a href="#">4</a>		0	0	1.7	0	0	69	17	3.4

Files changed r36n11.pbm.ihost.com -- AIX53-xlC as of Fe

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Updated files (4)

Source (4)

[cmCommandArgumentParserHelper.cxx Rev: 1.18](#) by [hoffman](#)

ENH: add atonly support to cmCommandArgumentParserHelper.cxx

[cmCommandArgumentParserHelper.h Rev: 1.10](#) by [hoffman](#)

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# CPack

- Creating source and binary packages:
  - tar.gz/bz2/Z packages
  - cygwin packages
  - MS Windows: Nullsoft installer files
  - Mac OS X: Package Maker packages

```
project(Scribus)
add_executable(scribus main.cpp)
install(TARGETS scribus DESTINATION bin)
include(CPack)

$ make package
```

# The Future

- built-in support for cross-compiling
- creating library frameworks on OS X
- more project generators, e.g. Eclipse, CodeBlocks, Anjuta
- more package generators: RPM, Debian
- improved GUI instead of ccmake
- more languages: OCaml, Assembler ... ?

# End

- <http://www.cmake.org>
  - Man-Page
  - Wiki
  - FAQ
  - Mailinglist
  - Book: "Mastering CMake"